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Hitachi Solutions Announce German Acquisition

Hitachi Solutions Furthering its Footprint in Europe with Purchase of German Systems Integrator

London, June 2018: Hitachi Solutions Europe Ltd. announces today the acquisition of German retail Microsoft Dynamics 365 specialist Implexis GmbH. As part of Hitachi Solutions' plan for strategic expansion in Europe, this procurement is an exciting next step, and will generate a substantial new market for the Hitachi Solutions group, particularly in the retail sector. Hitachi Solutions and Implexis are delighted with the fit of the two businesses - both being high achieving, client orientated and focused on Microsoft's full suite of products and technologies.

Implexis was founded in 1993 and has 200 staff across five locations in Germany. With over 950 successfully completed projects mainly in the retail sector, it has an exciting and expanding customer portfolio. Steven French, Chief Executive Officer of Hitachi Solutions Europe, comments 'The acquisition of Implexis into the Hitachi Solutions family is an exciting moment for us. Implexis shares our values and culture and is a natural fit for our expansion strategy across Europe. It also places Hitachi Solutions in an excellent position to carry out our plans for future large investments in the retail sector'.

Michael Ferschl, Managing Director of Implexis adds 'Joining the Hitachi Solutions family offers true value for our customers and employees. Hitachi Solutions is known as a high quality and trusted Microsoft partner across the world, this reflects exactly what Implexis is known for in Germany! Bringing together Hitachi Solutions and Implexis means bringing together the best of both worlds to deliver high quality products, services and projects around the globe.'

About Hitachi Solutions Europe, ltd.

Hitachi Solutions Europe provides industry focus, enterprise software expertise and consulting services to businesses and public sector. With global capabilities and regional offices in United Kingdom, France, United States, Canada, India, Japan, China, and South East Asia, Hitachi Solutions works with industry leading clients to understand their unique formula for success. For more information, call +44 (0)203 198 5136 or visit www.hitachi-solutions.co.uk

About Hitachi Solutions, Ltd.

Hitachi Solutions, Ltd., headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, is a core member of Information & Telecommunication business of Hitachi Group and a recognized leader in delivering proven business and IT strategies and solutions to companies across many industries. The company provides value-driven services throughout the IT life cycle from systems planning to systems integration, operation and maintenance. Hitachi Solutions delivers products and services of superior value to customers worldwide through key subsidiaries in the United States, the United Kingdom, France, Canada, India, China, and Asia Pacific. For more information on Hitachi Solutions, please visit: <u>www.hitachi-solutions.com</u>

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Hitachi, Ltd. (TSE: 6501), headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, delivers innovations that answer society's challenges with our talented team and proven experience in global markets. The company's consolidated revenues for fiscal 2017 (ended March 31, 2018) totaled 9,368.6 billion yen (\$88.3 billion). Hitachi is focusing more than ever on the Social Innovation Business, which includes power & infrastructure systems, information & telecommunication systems, construction machinery, high functional materials & components, automotive systems, healthcare and others. For more information on Hitachi, please visit the company's website at http://www.hitachi.com.

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